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- 1. WHILE WE MUST STILL AWAIT GOL INTER-MINISTERIAL VIEW ABOURT THE PROBELMS INVOLVED IN ARMS PURCHASES, AN IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL AREA OF FELEXIBILITY HAS APPEARD. COL. SARDOUK, SECRETARY TO DEFENSE MINISTER, INFORMED DAO JULY 31 THAT WHILE ABOUT 190 MILLION LEBANESE POUNDS HAVE BEEN COMMITTED FOR ARMS PURCHASES (AS REPORTED REFTEL), UP TO 60 MILLION POUNDS OF THIS SUM ARE NOT ABSOULTELY "FIRM COMMITMENTS" AND THERE MAY BE POSSIBILITY OF SHIFTING SOME OR ALL OF THIS AMOUNT.
- 2. WE WILL, OF COURSE, KEEP DEPARTMENT CURRENTLY ADVISED OF ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENT. BUFFUM

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